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Sandler Center for the Performing Arts



Virginia Beach, Virginia

Virginia Green is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices is all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. *Virginia Green Attractions* have been thoughtfully planned and designed to minimize their impacts on the environment. This attraction has met the established "core activities" for *Green Attractions* and has committed to communicate its activities to its guests. Below is a list of this attraction's "green" activities that guests can expect.

Sandler Center

The Sandler Center for the Performing Arts is a new addition to the city's "new urban" development. The Center features an Outdoor Performance Plaza for festivals, a Grand Lobby for catered events, a Performance Theater seating 1,300, and a Studio Theater/Rehearsal Space. The Sandler Center is committed to saving energy and working on ways to reduce waste through recycling, minimization of harmful chemicals, and reducing utility consumption.

Virginia Green Activities. When visiting the Sandler Center, you can expect the following practices:

CORE ACTIVITIES for Green Attractions

- Recycling and Waste Reduction. Attractions must provide highly-visible recycling opportunities for guests.
 - Glass, Plastic, Office Paper, Toner Cartridges, Newspaper, Cardboard, Fluorescent Lamps, Electronics Equipment
 - Tracking overall waste bills and quantities
 - Purchasing and designing cups to promote effective recycling
 - Effective food inventory control to minimize wastes
 - Recycled content paper towels and toilet tissue
 - Encourage suppliers to minimize packaging and other waste materials
 - Use electronic correspondence and forms
 - Use "Green" cleaners in automatic dispensers
 - Purchase durable furniture and equipment
 - Use reused building materials or those from sustainable sources
 - Use latex paint
 - Preventive maintenance on all vehicles and equipment
 - Last-in/First-out inventory
 - Use least toxic materials

- Minimize/Eliminate Styrofoam. Attractions are encourages to minimize or eliminate the use of Styrofoam cups and plates in favor of products that are bio-based, paper, or recyclable.
- **Water Efficiency.** Attractions should have a "plan" for conserving and using water efficiently.
 - Tracking overall water usage and wastewater
 - Preventive maintenance on drips and leaks
 - Water-flow metering to discover leaks and areas of high use
 - High efficiency dishwashers
 - Microfiber technology mops
 - Low flow toilets and low flow restrictors on faucets and showerheads
 - Effective landscape management plan
- Energy Conservation. Attractions must have a "plan" that encourages energy conservation and efficiency.
 - Tracking overall energy bills
 - Use natural lighting
 - High efficiency fluorescent light bulbs in all canned spotlights
 - High efficiency fluorescent ballasts and lamps
 - Use of directional lighting in parking lots throughout the facility
- Green Events Package. Attractions should be able to at least provide recycling when they host special events.

For more information on the **Sandler Center for the Performing Arts**, see <u>www.sandlercenter.org</u> or contact David Semon <u>dsemon@sandlercenter.org</u>.

For more information on *Virginia Green* program, see www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/virginiagreen.



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